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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b),
is a Continuation-In-Part application of PCT International
Application No. PCT/JP02/04085 filed on April 24, 2002.

Inventor(s): IMAIZUMI, Yuji; and OHWADA, Tomohiko

For: POTASSIUM CHANNEL OPENER

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of twenty-nine (29) pages
- ☒ Seven (7) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority

- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2001-127054 and 2001-337723 filed in JAPAN on April 25, 2001 and November 2, 2001.
☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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- ☒ Executed Declaration (☒ Original ☐ Photocopy)
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with reference(s)
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Priority of PCT International Application No. _____ filed is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- ☐ Other: _____

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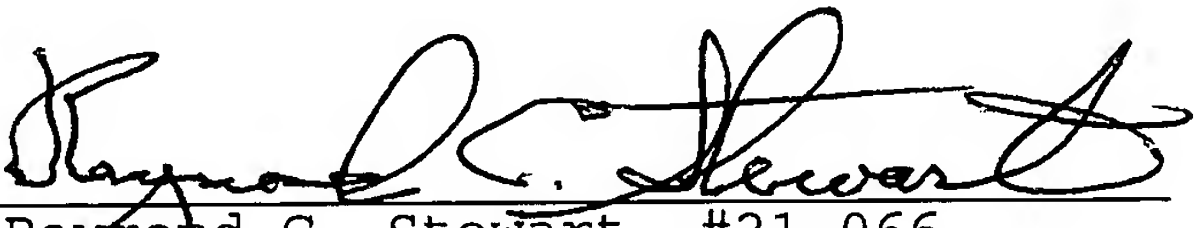
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